

DR. JESSICA ELZEA KOGEL

MINING HEALTH AND SAFETY SCHOLARSHIP

Health and Safety Division Guidelines & Procedures

OVERVIEW

The Dr. Jessica Elzea Kogel Health and Safety Scholarship (Kogel Scholarship) was established in 2024 to promote health and safety science, research, and innovation in mining. Dr. Kogel served as SME President in 2013 and was the driving force behind the formation of the H&S Division. The Kogel Scholarship was established thanks to the generosity of the Kogel family, who wanted to support her vision for improved health and safety outcomes in the industry. The scholarship will be awarded annually to one undergraduate or graduate student who has a passion for health and safety in mining, regardless of their discipline or area of research.

TIMELINE

The Kogel Scholarship adheres to the following timeline:

Date	Task
September 1 - October 15	Applications accepted
October 1	Application initiation deadline – (Note: All applications should be initiated by this date to allow plenty of time for receipt of letters of recommendation prior to the October 15 deadline.)
October 15	Application deadline
December 1	Selection deadline
December 2	Applicant notification deadline
December 15	Check(s) mailed to department heads
SME Annual Conference & Expo	Recipient(s) are recognized at the Health & Safety Division Breakfast

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
2. Be a SME student member in good standing.
3. Attend a school that is [ABET](#) accredited in mineral fields or has an [SME student chapter](#).
4. Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career that positively impacts mine health and safety.
5. Must maintain enrollment in the program for the fall semester.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Scholarship applications must be submitted online via SME's scholarship portal smenet.org/students/grants-scholarships. The online application requires the following information:

1. Demographic and contact information.
2. Short statement (one page) describing applicant's interest in/passion for a career that addresses a prevalent health and safety issue in the mining industry and, if applicable, contributions toward addressing this issue.
3. Two references, one university faculty and one from an industry professional.
4. Résumé detailing past education and work experience.
5. Copy of most recent transcript (unofficial transcripts are ok).
6. Anticipated expenses/income for the current academic year.

RECIPIENT SELECTION

Selection is at the discretion of SME's Health & Safety Division Scholarship Committee. Receipt shall commit to serve on the Division's scholarship committee the following year.

AWARD

\$5,000.00.

QUESTIONS

Questions may be directed to:

SME Scholarship Coordinator at scholarships@smenet.org or
SME Member Services Department 303-948-4200